

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jennifer Ruth GAMBLE et al.  
Application No. : 10/531,626  
Filed : March 30, 2006  
For : A METHOD OF MODULATING EPITHELIAL CELL ACTIVITY  
BY MODULATING THE FUNCTIONAL LEVELS OF  
SPHINGOSINE KINASE

Examiner : Magdalene K. Sgagias  
Art Unit : 1632  
Docket No. : 650063.402USPC  
Date : February 23, 2009

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 22, 2008, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed on July 22, 2008, please extend the period of time for response five months, to expire on February 22, 2009. Enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination including a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fees. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.